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Hongkong, May 21, 1907. 903

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that FIRE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on FRIDAY, the 24th instant, VICTORIA DAY.

By Order, A. R. LOWE, Secretary.

Hongkong, May 22, 1907. 911

NOTICE.

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Hongkong, March 2, 1906

MEE CHEUNG.

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THE COLONIAL CONFERENCE.

A Change in Title.

On April 18th the Colonial Conference
discussed the following resolutions proposed
by Mr. Deakin (Australia) and Sir Joseph
Ward (New Zealand):

The resolution submitted by Mr. Deakin
was:—
That it is desirable to establish an Im-
perial Council, to consist of representatives
of Great Britain and the self-governing
colonies, chosen ex-officio from their
existing Administrations.

That the objects of such council shall be
to discuss at regular conferences matters
of common Imperial interest, and to
establish a system by which members of
the council shall be kept informed during
the periods between the conferences in
regard to matters which have been or may
be subjects for discussion.

That there shall be a permanent secre-
tariat staff, charged with the duty of ob-
taining information for the use of the
council, of attending to the execution of its
resolutions, and of conducting corre-
spondence on matters relating to its
affairs.

That the expenses of such a staff shall be
borne by the countries represented on the
council in proportion to their population.

The motion submitted by Sir Joseph
Ward was:—

That it would be to the advantage of the
Empire, and facilitate the dealing with
questions which affect the overseas do-
minions if an Imperial Council were
established to which each of the self-gover-
ning colonies should send a representative.

Mr. Deakin suggested that the Prime
Minister, not the Colonial Office, should be
the medium through which the auton-
omous colonies should work in connection
with matters of great Imperial and colonial
interest.

Sir Joseph Ward urged that the British
and Colonial Prime Ministers, with the
Secretary of State for the Colonies, should
be members of the Imperial Council. He
suggested that the Crown colonies, which
are controlled by the Colonial Office, under
the advice of the Governors, should con-
tinue to be called colonies, while the auto-
nomous colonies should be termed States,
or some other name distinguishing them
from the Crown colonies. He urged that
the channel of communication with the Im-
perial Government should continue through
the Governors.

Lord Elgin urged that the Colonial Office
had done good work in the past, and was
prepared to work for a policy of continuity.
The British Government was unable to
agree to the creation of a separate body,
with power of interference between the re-
spective Governments. That was a dan-
gerous course to pursue.

Mr. Deakin and Sir Joseph Ward here
interjected "We do not suggest anything
of the kind."

Sir Wilfrid Laurier (Canada) thought
that they should be extremely cautious in
dealing with the resolutions. He reserved
his decision and suggested that the title
Imperial Conference was preferable to that
of Imperial Council. He recognised that
there must be unanimity respecting an
alteration of the constitution of the Cou-
ference or nothing could be done.

All the Premiers adopted suggestion the
of Sir W. Laurier regarding the use of the
term Imperial Conference.

Lord Elgin submitted a long resolution,
which he hoped would secure the accept-
ance of the Premiers and settle the diffi-
culties which the British Government fore-
saw.

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HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

PROMENADE CONCERT

ON THE
VOLUNTEER PARADE GROUND,
on
SATURDAY, 26th MAY, 1907, at 9 P.M.
in aid of the
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If the weather is unfavourable the Concert
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Hongkong, May 20, 1907.

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T. H. TAI,
Manager.

Hongkong, May 13, 1907.

Intimations.

PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the
above Company will be held at the Regis-
tered Office of the Company, Alexandra
Buildings, Des Voeux Road Central, on
SATURDAY, the 25th day of May, 1907,
at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Directors together with a
Statement of Accounts for the period from
10th October, 1906, to 30th April, 1907.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 22nd to 31st
instant, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, May 15, 1907.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL
ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the
Company (since its registration) will be
held at the Office of the Company in
Alexandra Buildings, on SATURDAY, the
25th instant, at 12 noon, for the purpose
of receiving the Report of the Directors
together with a Statement of Accounts
of the 31st December, 1906.

The REGISTER OF SHARES will be
CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 22nd
instant, to TUESDAY, the 28th instant,
both days inclusive, during which period no
Transfer of Shares will be Registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, May 15, 1907.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK-
ING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an
EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of the
Shareholders of THE HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION will be
held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on
FRIDAY, the 31st day of May, 1907, at
Noon, for the purpose of considering and,
if thought fit, of passing the following
Resolutions:—

1. That the Directors of the Hongkong
and Shanghai Banking Corporation be
and they are hereby requested and au-
thorised by and on behalf of the
Shareholders of the Company to take
the steps necessary for the introduction
of an Ordinance into the Legislative Council
of the Colony of Hongkong and for the
enactment of the same by the Governor
of Hongkong with the advice and con-
sent of the Legislative Council thereof
to effect the amendments necessary to
the Ordinance under which the Company
is incorporated and carrying on business
as so to allow of the capital of the Company
being from time to time increased
from ten millions of dollars, to twenty
millions of dollars, and for extending the
period of the operation of such
Ordinance for a further period of
21 years from and including the 14th
day of August, 1908, and for con-
tinuing all the provisions of Section
3 of the Hongkong and Shanghai
Banking Corporation Ordinance
1889 for a further period of 21 years
from and including the 14th day of
August, 1908.

2. That from the date of such new
Ordinance coming into operation and
becoming effective the Capital of the
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking
Corporation be increased from
\$10,000,000 to \$20,000,000 by the
creation of 40,000 New Shares of
\$25 each to be issued at the price
of \$30 on the terms hereinafter men-
tioned, and that the Directors be and
they are authorised by the Share-
holders to pay for their allotment at the
rate of Exchange for the Company's
demand Bills on London on the day
the instalments are due.

3. That the said New Shares be in the
first instance, in such manner as the
Directors may prescribe for that
purpose, offered to Shareholders in
the proportion of One New Share for
every two shares of which on the
31st day of May, 1907, shareholders
shall respectively be the Registered
Holders, and that any New Shares
not accepted by the Shareholders
within the time limited by the
Directors for that purpose, be dis-
posed of and allotted at such
price as in their discretion, they
shall think best in the interests of
the Company.

4. That the payment of the sum of \$30
per share for each of the said New
Shares be made as follows, viz:—
1st instalment of \$15 on the 1st day
of July, 1907.
2nd and final instalment of \$15 on the
1st day of October, 1907.

5. That the Directors be and they are
authorised by the Shareholders to re-
gulate, holding shares not a mul-
tiple of two, a fractional certificate
in respect of each share in excess of
or below the multiple and allot one
New Share to every person who
shall produce two such Fractional
Certificates on or before the 1st day
of July, 1907, and pay the first
instalment in respect thereof.

6. That after payment of the first
instalment and pending payment of
the remaining instalment, Scrip
Certificates in such form as the
Directors may determine be issued
in respect of such New Shares en-
titled the holders on payment of the
remaining instalment, and sub-
ject to such other terms as to ap-
proval, date for lodging scrip
certificates and otherwise as the
Directors may prescribe to be re-
gulated on the owners of the shares
respectively represented by such
Scrip Certificates.

7. That interest at the rate of 5 per
centum per annum be allowed out
of the profit of the company on the
instalments paid in advance of the
due date, and that the same become due,
and that registered holders of Scrip
Certificates in such form as the
Directors may determine be issued
in respect of such New Shares en-
titled the holders on payment of the
remaining instalment, and sub-
ject to such other terms as to ap-
proval, date for lodging scrip
certificates and otherwise as the
Directors may prescribe to be re-
gulated on the owners of the shares
respectively represented by such
Scrip Certificates.

8. That interest at the rate of 8 per
centum per annum be charged on
each instalment not punctually paid,
and be paid with each instal-
ment.

9. That all moneys received from pre-
mium on the said New Shares be
added to the Reserve Funds.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING
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J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, April 30, 1907.

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General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, May 25.—

11 a.m.—Auction of Steam Launch *Hung Yick*, on Board, at Causeway Bay.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Oil-Printings, &c., at Mr. Geo. P. Laumert's Sales Rooms.

9 p.m.—Concert on the Volunteer Parade Ground.

Noon—Meeting of Peak Tramways Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Registered Office.

12.30 p.m.—Meeting of A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office.

MONDAY, May 27.—

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, &c., at No. 8, the Albany.

TUESDAY, May 28.—

Goods per *Korea* undelivered after noon this date subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, May 29.—

1.15 p.m.—Meeting of the 'Star' Ferry Co., Ltd., at Messrs. Gibb, Livingston & Co.'s Office.

4 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce at City Hall.

Goods per *Scharnborst* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

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THURSDAY, May 30.—

9 p.m.—Performance at City Hall.

FRIDAY, May 31.—

Noon—Meeting of The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at the City Hall.

SATURDAY, June 2.—

Noon—Meeting of the National Bank of China, Ltd., at the Bank Premises.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MAY 23, 1907.

THE COMMISSIONER'S REPORT.

Now that sufficient time has elapsed for those interested in the matter to have mastered the report of the Sanitary Commissioners something should be done by the public to give utterance to their views. They have read what the Commissioners have had to say and they know the proposals they have made to put things on a better basis. Also they have studied the replies by two Government officials, one the head of the Secretariat, the other the Director of Public Works. It is not, by the way, quite clear why it was thought necessary for the Colonial Secretary to write a reply to the report. His department is not directly interested as is the Public Works Department. Had a minute been supplied by the Attorney General it would have been more understandable, as questions in regard to the interpretation of the law figure conspicuously in the report. It is, of course, eminently proper that the Director of Public Works should have had an opportunity of putting his views on record. As a member of the Sanitary Board and head of the department with which the Sanitary authorities have most association his opinions are of distinct value. But there is one minute which is conspicuous by its absence. What are the views of the Hon. Dr. J. Mitford Atkinson, President of the Sanitary Board? Surely a reply from the gentleman who, as one of his official colleagues is reported to have naively put it, is the Sanitary Board, should have been forthcoming. As the official who has had to bear the brunt of the Commissioners' onslaught, he certainly should have been given an opportunity to render his account of his stewardship. The public would prefer to hear all the facts before it draws its final conclusions. If the President of the Sanitary Board does not refute the statements put forward and the conclusions arrived at by the Commissioners the verdict will go against him by default. But there is sufficient evidence before the public to justify them in taking overt action. Their views should also be placed on permanent record. Someone must take the initiative and summon a public meeting to discuss the matter and agree to certain resolutions to be laid before the new Governor when he arrives. There is an opportunity for throwing off a few links of the chain of officialdom

which presses so heavily upon the community. If a determined stand is taken now it may be possible for the citizens to win the right to control their municipal affairs, at least in part. Government control of municipal matters has had a long trial and it has failed dismally. No harm would be done if the unofficial residents were given an opportunity of seeing whether they could not make the Colony a better place to live in than it is now. We think that the time is ripe to endeavour to gain some of the liberties which, as we have pointed out before, are enjoyed by the inhabitants of every part of the British Empire—except the hapless Crown Colonies. It is time that the venerable superstition that the British residents of Crown Colonies are so mentally inferior to their brothers in Great Britain and the self governing Colonies that they cannot be trusted even to elect an alderman should be dispelled once and for all. We are perfectly convinced that had the control of the Sanitary Department been in the hands of officers appointed and paid directly by the ratepayers the scandals which have been exposed would never have occurred. This community should seize the opportunity to demand its right of self government—the right conceded to every Britisher outside of Crown Colonies and lately conceded willingly to men who were in arms against us five years ago. We know that there are reasons why full political rights cannot be given to this and other Crown Colonies where the British element is in the minority. But the time will surely come when Crown Colonists will demand constitutions adapted to their peculiar circumstances. In the meantime if the community agitates enough it will gain the right to manage its own municipal matters instead of letting the Government mismanage them. Some prominent citizen who is entirely disinterested—the Hon. Mr. Pollock for example—might well convene a meeting of citizens at which the report of the Commission could be discussed and some line of action determined upon. Unless this is done the labours of the Commission will in all probability be wasted. As we have seen how frankly unpalatable the report has been to the Government. Unless the public show that they are in favour of reform the recommendations of the Commission will almost certainly be buried so deep in red tape that they will never again see the light.

The following story comes to us from New Zealand, says the *United Service Gazette*. It is that of a smart man hoist with his own petard, and emanates from the mess quarters of a rifle association, whose annual "shoot" was held early this year. A competitor who was suspected of being a "pointer" was being watched closely by a couple of other shots. When it came to the rapid firing test—so many shots a man within a certain time, at a difficult range—the pair of amateur "tees" saw the suspected man deliberately count out one cartridge more than the stipulated number, and fire them all off. They were about to protest at such an irregularity, when—lo! the S.M. had shot so well and truly that he had registered his full number of hits instead of the "possible" of one less. Disqualification was the prompt penalty.

The coins that have flooded the main land are really worse to manage than the coins we have here in Hongkong. Not only is there a big discount on silver, but there has been lately a larger discount still on copper coins. A hundred grains, which ought to buy of goods 717 of silver, will only purchase 623. Things were getting very bad, when it was found that these coins, if they were shipped off to some of the districts east of the province, would fetch more, and therefore large quantities have been sent to Ku Ying Chan. The result is that in Tatsien, for example, the value of the copper coin has risen somewhat, and a hundred will now buy 670 of silver, which of course is nearly fifteen cents less than their face value. One of the most provoking things to the business Chinese is that, though the officials issued these debased silver twenty-cent pieces, they will not take them back at the face value, but in the paying of taxes, etc., the usual discount is demanded by the officials, which is peculiarly exasperating.

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

There were 377 European and 163 Chinese visitors to the City Hall Library, and 134 European and 2,587 Chinese visitors to the Museum during the week ended May 19th.

According to the programme of the first portion of the annual cruise of the Chinese squadron the men-of-war should arrive at Port Hamilton to-morrow and leave on the 27th, arriving at Wei-hai-wei on the 30th. At the latter port gun-hydrants tests with heavy guns will be carried out.

The British Minister has communicated with the Waiwup asking for the postponement of the cessation of the opium import to China until the 1st January of next year, the reason being that the Opium Crops in India have been already procured, and the peasants may suffer great loss if their opium trade is stopped at once.

We hear that Messrs. Pritchard, Lowther and Co., who have in hand the construction of the new Naval dock here, have secured from the Hongkong Port Trustees a large contract for the improvement of the Bomlay Harbour. The work includes the building of a quay wall 12,600 feet long on piled foundations, and the reclamation of about 620 acres of foreshore. The consulting engineers to the scheme are Messrs. Sir J. Wolfe Barry and A. J. Barry, of Westminster.

Captain Martin, of the South African cooler transport "Heliopolis" arrived in the harbour this morning from Honolulu, after landing 2,300 Spanish emigrants at that port. The emigrants were embarked at Malato, a port in the South of Spain, and are to be employed under the American Government on the plantations. Of the total 590 were under the age of eight years, and fourteen births took place on the voyage. The vessel took 48 days on the run, covering 14,000 miles. Capt. Martin thinks that it is the intention of the American Government to introduce Spanish labour into the islands for the purpose of supplanting the Japanese, who are becoming too numerous. The "Heliopolis" is chartered by the South African mining syndicate for three years, and is on her way there for a batch of repatriated coolies.

A curious story is related of a fraud said to have been practised on the unvarying and credulous public by a number of Chinese women who have of late been reported as patrolling the streets of Howrah, India, declaring themselves experts in the healing art, especially in toothache, rheumatism and complaints of that nature. A Bengali doctor who wanted to put their pretensions to the test simulated a bad toothache and called in the aid of four of these women to cure him. On examining the affected tooth the cures told him that there were no less than three big worms inside it. The doctor watched the movements of the woman who were found, according to the story, slyly introducing a worm inside the tooth. The police are investigating the matter.

This late Major H. McN. Patterson, whose untimely death from plague occurred in India in April, had a close connection with the United Provinces of India. His father, Mr. A. B. Patterson, served for thirty-five years mainly in the North-West Provinces, and was for some time Collector of Saharnpur, where by a melancholy coincidence his son has just died. Major Patterson himself served for many years in the United Provinces in the 6th Cavalry, formerly 5th Bengal Cavalry. He was A.D.C. to Lord Elgin and also to Lord Curzon, and was for two years with the mounted infantry in South Africa, where he won the medal with five clasps and a brevet majority. He was lately in charge of horse-breeding operations in Baluchistan and Sind, and many friends in Quetta as well as in the United Provinces will have heard with great regret of the death of a promising officer.

Betting in Japan.

The Japanese Minister for Home Affairs has issued orders to all race-course proprietors in the country prohibiting the sale of sweep-stake tickets under penalty of law.

Plague in Osaka.

Plague is again prevalent in Osaka, cases being reported daily, says the *Yorokuchi Chuo* of May 9. On the 7th inst. four cases occurred in the south ward of the city, all of which ended fatally.

Claim Against a Consul.

A complaint was filed on May 18 in the U. S. Court for China of Shanghai by an attorney, named G. F. Curtis, against the Hon. Jas. L. Rodgers, the recent Consul-General, for neglect of his official duty in connection with the estate of the late Henry H. Cunningham. Damages to the extent of \$60,000 gold are claimed personally against Mr. Rodgers, and the complaint further asks for the forfeiture of the Consul-General's bond of \$5,000 gold. Consul Rodgers left Shanghai the same day for Vladivostok en route for Havana, where he assumes his new post. The *Shanghai Mercury* understands that the summons was not served on the Consul-General before the steamer left and Mr. Rodgers is no longer within the jurisdiction of the U. S. Court for China.

COOLDS AND PNEUMONIA.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

JAPAN AND MANCHURIA.

Dr Morrison's Criticisms.

Objected to by Japan.

(From our Correspondent.)

TOKYO, May 23.

The Japanese newspapers refute Dr Morrison's criticisms with respect to Japan's administration of Manchuria.

They state that Japan has always adhered to the open-door policy and that the delay in establishing a customs house at Tairen (Daly) was due to the protracted negotiations at Peking.

The allegation that Japan designed to utilize Tairen to counteract the Newchwang trade is characterised as erroneous.

Japan is doing her utmost to maintain the equality of the duties imposed on imports at the two ports on goods for Manchuria.

JAPAN AND TRADE MARKS.

Convention Infringement.

(From our Correspondent.)

TOKYO, May 23.

The infringement of the International Trade Mark Convention is not tolerated in Japan.

Japan is much aggrieved at the arbitrary translations of Japanese books by the Chinese.

THE EMPRESS DOWAGER.

Again Indisposed.

(From our Correspondent.)

Peking, May 23.

Her Highness the Empress Dowager of China is indisposed.

THE NORTHERN REBELS.

Serious Rising Imminent.

(From our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, May 23.

A large number of secret society members have joined the rebels in Kwangsi.

It is intended to have a general uprising at a given date against the reigning dynasty.

The rebels are reported to be in possession of modern arms and ammunition.

A NEW POST OFFICE.

Meeting a Wanchai Want.

At a meeting of the Public Works Committee on May 16, the proposal for the erection of a branch Post Office at Wanchai was referred to.

The Chairman (Hon. Mr. W. Chatham) explained that the opinion of the Committee was desired on the question of the site upon which the Branch Post Office should be erected. It was originally intended to alter No. 3 Police Station, in Queen's Road East, to adapt it for a Post Office but the building was found to be in such a defective condition that it was ordered to be pulled down. The Postmaster General had since represented that it would be preferable to locate the Post Office on the Praya and had suggested that it should be in the vicinity of No. 2 Police Station.

After discussion, it was unanimously agreed to recommend that the building should be erected on the reclamation adjoining No. 2 Police Station.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr. Figg of the Hongkong Observatory:—
On the 23rd 11.50 a.m.—The barometer has risen slightly over the Yangtze, and fallen elsewhere, particularly over Japan and the Loochees.

The depression having passed over the E. coast of China last night, is now moving Eastwards to the S.W. of Japan. Another depression is moving into the Pacific to the N.E. of Hokkaido.

Moderate or fresh variable winds will probably prevail in the Formosa Channel and fresh S. and S.W. winds over the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow.

Forecast District.

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood: S.W. or variable winds, moderate; equally thunder showers.
2.—Formosa Channel: Variable winds, moderate or fresh.
3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Loochees: Same as No. 1.
4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: Same as No. 1.

BY TELEGRAPH.

THE IRISH BILL.

Condemned by the Convention.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

At the Irish National Convention at Dublin Mr John E. Redmond moved the rejection of Mr Birrell's Irish Bill. The resolution was unanimously adopted.

The decision of the Convention is regarded by the Radical and Unionist papers alike as a serious blow to the Government.

It is generally expected that the Bill will be dropped.

(REUTERS SERVICE.)

UNITED STATES AND JAPAN.

London, May 21. Baron Kuroki gave a luncheon in New York, after which The Japan Society of New York was formed, with Viscount Adachi as president and General Grant and Admiral Dewey among the vice-presidents. The Society, with the object of cementing the friendship between Japan and the United States, have invited Prince Fushimi to New York.

PRINCE FUSHIMI'S VISIT.

London, May 21. Prince Fushimi has been to Glasgow, where he inspected the armour-plate factories, and afterwards lunched with the Corporation.

REVISION OF THE VULGATE.

London, May 21. The Pope has issued a decree entrusting the revision of the whole of the Vulgate to the Benedictine Order.

SIR WILFRID LAURIER.

London, May 21. Sir Wilfrid Laurier leaves England today on a visit to France, Italy and Switzerland.

The Premier states that he is perfectly satisfied with the results of the conference.

UNIVERSITY DELEGATES IN PARKS.

London, May 21. The delegates from the London University, on a visit to Paris as honoured guests of the Municipality, were given a luncheon at the Hotel de Ville, at which M. Pichon was present.

M. Pichon proposed the toast of the King and Queen of Britain, and of the entente in the most cordial terms.

EMPIRE DAY.

Victoria School Sports.

The Victoria School will celebrate Empire (or Victoria) Day to-morrow at the school room and at 4 o'clock the first event will be run off.

At 3.15 p.m. tea and cakes will be served in the school and at 4 o'clock the first event will be run off at the Hongkong Football Club's ground, Happy Valley. There are 27 events on the programme, all confined to the children, including a signalling competition, tag-of-war and many other athletic events.

On May 27, at 11 a.m. the annual prize distribution will take place in the school, Mrs F. H. May having consented to distribute the prizes.

THE PEACE OF ASIA.

European Agreements with Japan.

London, May 11. There was a distinguished gathering of eminent personages at the banquet given at the Foreign Office by Sir Edward Grey in honour of Prince Fushimi.

In the evening Prince Fushimi, Sir Edward Grey raised the Japanese for their patriotism and public spirit.

The object of the renewal of the Treaty of Alliance between Great Britain and Japan, two years ago, was not to injure others, but to secure stability and peace.

That this was their object he trusted was recognised by all interested in the Far East.

Prince Fushimi returned thanks, referring especially to the friendship that existed between the two nations.

At the dinner to General Kuroki, at Washington, Mr W. H. Tate, U.S. Secretary for War, expressed the hope that the United States and Japan would always exist—brother.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

His Excellency Mr F. H. May, Officer Administering the Government, presided at the meeting of the Legislative Council which was held this afternoon. There were also present—

Hon. Mr. M. J. O'Connell (Colonial Secretary), Hon. Mr. H. J. Gompertz (Attorney General),

Hon. Mr. A. M. Thomson (Colonial Secretary), Hon. Mr. D. Mol. Messer (Colonial Treasurer),

Hon. Mr. A. W. Bakwin (Registrar General), Hon. Capt. Radeley,

Hon. Mr. W. C. P. (Director of Public Works),

Hon. Dr. Ho Kai,

Hon. Mr. Wai Yek,

Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewett,

Hon. Mr. E. Osborne,

Hon. H. E. Pollock, K. C.,

Hon. H. Kewick,

Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher (Acting Clerk of Council).

NEW MEMBERS.

His Excellency Major-General R. G. Broadwood C.B., and Mr Henry Kewick took the oath of office.

THE HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY MOVED the following resolution—

It is hereby resolved that a sum of \$2,438,000 be advanced out of funds in the custody of the Government for the purposes of construction of the Kowloon-Canton Railway (British Section) during the year 1907.

As members might like to ask questions on this resolution Mr Gompertz moved that it be referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr Messer seconded and it was carried.

SUPPLEMENTARY CHARGES.

The Hon. Attorney-General moved the Second reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to authorize the Appropriation of a Supplementary sum of four hundred and seventy-seven thousand eight hundred and forty-nine dollars and fifty-three cents, to defray the charges of the year 1906.

Mr Messer seconded and the Bill was read a second time and referred to the Finance Committee.

THE PRISON JUDGE.

The Hon. the Attorney-General moved the Second reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to remove doubts as to the validity of the proceedings of the Supreme Court of this Colony during the time that Alfred Gascoyne Wise, Esquire, held the office of Puisne Judge of such Court from the 26th day of June, 1902, down to the present time.

Mr Messer seconded and the Bill was read a second time and passed into Committee.

BANKERS AND CHECKS.

The Hon. the Attorney-General moved the Second reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Bills of Exchange Ordinance, 1885.

Mr Thomson seconded and the Bill was read a second time and passed into Committee.

ON COUNCIL RESUMING Mr Gompertz moved that the Bill be referred to the Law Committee, which was agreed to.

MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY.

The Hon. the Attorney-General moved the Second reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Married Women's Property Ordinance, 1906.

Mr Thomson seconded and the Bill was read a second time and passed into Committee.

SCOTTISH PROBATE ACTS.

The Hon. the Attorney-General moved the Second reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Probates Ordinance, 1887.

Mr Thomson seconded and the Bill was read a second time and passed into Committee.

COLLEGE OF MEDICINE.

The Hon. Dr. Ho Kai moved the Second reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance for the incorporation of the Hongkong College of Medicine.

Mr Wai Yek seconded and the Bill was read a second time and passed into Committee.

As there were no amendments Dr. Ho Kai moved the third reading of the Bill.

In doing so Dr. Ho Kai pointed out the College was commenced in 1887 and had since been carried on by a number of professional men recruited from the Civil Service, Army and Navy and from the professional gentlemen practicing in the Colony. The only funds they had at the commencement was \$1000—donated by the Tung Wah Hospital—with which the necessary appliances were purchased and since then only students' fees were available to meet the expenses of the College. Recently about \$10,000 was left to the College and the Government had given them a grant of land. It was for the purpose of administering the funds and building on the Government site that it was necessary to pass the present Bill.

Mr May supported Dr. Ho Kai, remarking that there was no more useful institution in the colony than the Hongkong College of Medicine. He had the honour to be a Director, and wished for the moment that he was not, in order that he might encourage the work that had been done and still is being done by the College and its graduates. Thanks were due to those gentlemen who had devoted their time in the advancement of the objects of the College, and he did not think that any one had done so much for the College as Dr. Ho Kai.

Mr Wai Yek seconded and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Council adjourned until Thursday next.

SAGACITY OF THE STARLING.

A remarkable instance of the sagacity of the starling is reported from Muston Gorge, a few miles distant from Belvoir Castle. A starling had entered a hole in a hollow oak tree which proved too small for its exit. Shortly after another bird of the same species was seen at the orifice, endeavouring to release its imprisoned comrade by seizing the captive just above the bank, and pulling with its feet propped against the tree. Although frightened away, the starling returned and renewed its efforts, which were eventually successful in obtaining the release of its mate. The incident was witnessed by two or three well known residents in the district.

THE VICTORIA HOSPITAL.

Improved Means of Access.

The Hon. Mr W. Chatham, at a meeting of the Public Works Committee on May 16, laid on the table a plan showing a proposed path extending from a point in May Road, adjoining the Tramway, to a point in Barker Road close by the Victoria Hospital and explained that it would form a much more direct route from the City to the Victoria Hospital than either of those existing at present. It would also connect up with the existing path from Barker Road to Plantation Road. The estimated cost of the work was \$3,000. It was unanimously agreed to recommend that the path be made.

CANTON NOTES.

CANTON NUMBERS ASSESSED.

One of the largest of the new female schools or colleges in Canton is somewhat short of funds. It is said to be very popular, and to be largely attended. But like other educational institutions of learning, unless they are supported by Government, rather than of funds. It appears, however, in Canton that as female education increases the number of men will decrease. Hence the order has been issued that the numbers will be assessed to support female schools. This has been particularly decided on to support the Kwan Wai college, and the special summary that has been called upon to give from its revenues is the King Tsui one. It appears, however, that the first official order was disregarded, and nothing was done. The supporters of the school then appealed to the Literary Chancellor, and steps were immediately taken to bring the matter to the notice of the officials. There is not much likelihood that this stern decree will be disregarded by the bald headed beauties who hitherto have been accustomed to have their own way without much interference.

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THE PROPOSED COAL MINES.

A week ago it was said that the Viceroy was considering the possibilities of coal-mining in the Two Kwang. He has heard that there is abundant coal in the places. In view of the fact that fuel in the way of pine wood is ever increasing in demand, and that much money could be made for the good of the provinces, were these mines worked, he has been trying to find some companies. Perhaps I should be more correct when I say he has been bringing the matter before the business men of Canton, and pointing out the advantages of the enterprise, with a view of inducing them to form companies, and subscribe the necessary capital. Experts have been sent to each of the more promising places, where coal is likely to be found in abundance, and when these special commissions have thoroughly examined into the situation they will report, and will, at the same time, send back specimens of coal that may be obtained.

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

The following is the Report for presentation to Shareholders at the fifth Ordinary Annual Meeting to be held at Messrs Gibb Livingston and Co's office—St. George's Building, at 12.15 p.m. on Wednesday, May 29: The Directors have the pleasure to submit to Shareholders their report, with a statement of account, for the year ending 30th April, 1907.

Accounts. The net earnings of the boats, after paying all working expenses and providing for a loss of \$8,886.64, on subsidiary boats, were \$48,022.80 as against \$24,098.13 last year, being an increase of \$23,924.67.

The amount of credit of Profit and Loss account, after paying for repairs and depreciation \$2,250.00 to credit of Insurance Fund is \$27,237.91, which, with the approval of Shareholders, it is proposed to appropriate as follows—

Directors' and Auditor's fees ... \$ 1,100.00
Dividend of 10% ... 15,000.00
Carry forward to next account ... 11,000.00
Total ... \$27,237.91

Business. Passenger traffic, more especially first class, showed a falling off compared with the previous year, due in large measure to there having been fewer steamers at the Wharves since the typhoon of September last.

Typhoon of 18th September, 1906. All five boats escaped but were more or less damaged. The guide pilots at Lee-Hoos street wharf and the erections on the wharf were swept away. The cost of making good damage occasioned by the typhoon was \$11,000.00, of which \$1,771.68 (being the amount spent on the boats) has been debited to Insurance fund.

Directors. In accordance with the Articles of Association Mr A. G. Wood retired but offers himself for re-election.

Hon. Mr. C. W. Dickinson having resigned, his place was taken by Hon. Mr. W. J. Green who appointment requires confirmation.

Auditors. Mr F. Maitland in the absence of Mr W. H. Potts has audited the accounts now presented. Mr W. H. Potts offers himself for re-election.

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SPORTING.

Lawn Tennis.

PROFESSIONAL FAIRY FINAL.

Yesterday afternoon the final in the Professional Pairs Lawn Tennis tournament was played on the Cricket Ground, the finalists being—Captain Bosley and Lieut. Whyte (Army) and Messrs. H. Hancock and H. Pinckney (Brokers).

Lieut. Whyte had the opening service but lost the game, owing to his placing the ball in an erratic. However, in this he improved in the second and third games, both of which were won by the military pair, and received a good deal of applause by the skillful manner in which, when at the net, he sent the ball across the court, completely out of the reach of the Brokers. Smart play by Mr Hancock at the net won the fourth game for the Brokers and the score was called—"two all."

Then the officers went ahead—winning three games running, while their opponents only scored five points. It was then Mr Pinckney's service and he put in a couple of excellent shots, which neither of the officers could do much with and a love game went to the Brokers. In the next game, when the score stood at 30-40 (Lieut. Whyte serving) the server was foot-faulted and the game went to the Brokers. The officers won the next game and set—6-4.

In the second set a weak stroke by Lieut. Whyte giving the Brokers the second game. Mr Pinckney was smashing well, but he did not get many opportunities, and the score was carried to five all. The next game was won by the officers and Mr Hancock's serve was also won by them, though the points were hotly contested, especially the final point. A fine bout between Mr Hancock and Lieut. Whyte, in which the latter exhibited splendid volleying, ended by Mr Hancock putting the ball outside the court and the set went to the officers—7-5.

The third set was the fairest of the lot, for the military pair, after losing the second and fourth games, ran right out, 6-2, and thus won the match. A number of fine cross-court drives went to Captain Bosley's credit and he also exhibited smart play at the net, particularly in smashing. Lieut. Whyte had a lot of work to do both at the net and at the base line and his net returns were often greeted with applause. Mr Pinckney, though, on the whole, scored more points than his partner, did not play as well as he was expected, while Mr Hancock was also at sea on several occasions.

The better combination was, though Captain Bosley did not assist his partner quite as much as he might have done and by remaining at the net when he should have got back to the base line he allowed several points to go to his opponents.

Cricket.

THE ENGLISH SEASON.

A telegram from London, dated May 10, states that playing at Leicester, Lancashire beat Leicestershire by eight wickets; at Birmingham, Sussex beat Warwickshire by four wickets; at Taunton, Yorkshire beat Somerset by nine wickets; at the Oval, Surrey beat Essex by an innings and 162 runs.

At Lords, Kent beat the M. C. C. and ground by 63 runs.

In their opening match last year Leicestershire had very exciting play with Lancashire, their northern rivals winning by the narrow margin of 1 run.

Warwickshire beat Sussex, on July 4 last, by an innings and 26 runs.

Yorkshire won against Somerset by an innings and 6 runs. The match against Essex was drawn, and Kent's corresponding match with the M. C. C. and ground ended in a win for the Marylebone team by 69 runs.

MAXIM GORKY IN LONDON.

London, May 13. Three hundred Russian revolutionaries, including half-a-dozen members of the Duma, have arrived in London to hold a secret congress for the discussion of Russian affairs.

Maxim Gorky, the famous Russian novelist, who was imprisoned in 1905 for the share he took in the reform movement in St. Petersburg, has arrived from Italy to attend the congress.

It is understood that he will support the militarist section of the delegates—REUTERS.

The new U. S. Consul-General at Seoul, Mr Thomas Simmons, was formerly a well-known newspaper man of Tacoma, says an exchange. Mr Simmons has just completed a two years' service as consul at Newchwang, an important port in Manchuria. He was on a vacation trip when he received the new appointment with an increase in salary from \$4,500 to \$5,500 annually. Mr Simmons recently made a tour of Manchuria and Siberia, and reports wonderful development in those countries. He says Americans are now getting the biggest and of the export business to China and that the Chinese are adopting American methods of railroading and copying largely after this country.

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SHANGHAI IN PARAGRAPHS.

(From Our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, May 17.

The International Velodrome in the short two weeks of its existence has developed a history big thing, and last Sunday this course was packed with people who thought little of the distance between their homes and the Velodrome. They certainly were rewarded because some of the contests were exceptionally exciting and we all know the exhilaration of watching vehicles, propelled by human beings, simply hurtling along. The speed in some instances appeared to be terrific and we sincerely hope no accident may happen to mar the infancy of this new place of amusement. Lally Brodon distributed the prizes, and doubtless this fact gave the seal of social distinction to the Velodrome. Certain it is that among those present were some of the folk to whom we are apt to give very great respect, and so the fact which was at first slightly in existence that the Velodrome would be the resort of a second rate class must be considered dispelled and it now has only to act up to the position it has attained.

It is curious to watch the growth of Sunday amusement in Shanghai. A short while back there was a good deal of talk—talks whenever such a suggestion dropped up but our pastors seem quite powerless and perhaps not so willing to stem the tide. Personally, I see no reason why recreation in a moderate degree should not be permissible so do not think I am one of those miserable creatures who fold their hands on Sunday and sigh the day away, but there is a medium in everything. We have jumped over the medium and have gone to the very opposite extreme. For instance, at the Velodrome meeting on Sunday, we listened to very gay music—although, of course, we must remember the Velodrome is situated in the French Concession—there was an Art Exhibition open for our inspection, we have Sunday concerts and in fact Sunday is just one of the seven days of the week with the exception that we can play tennis all day if we will with never a thought of the office to worry us.

Our A.D.C. may warmly be congratulated on the manner in which they have opened the Lyceum Theatre. From commencement to finish it was very evident that in every particular "Lady Hawthorn's Experiment" had, thoroughly and assiduously been rehearsed—rehearsed by artists who knew the evil of over-doing it and by their natural easy manner carried off a very high success. It is not conceit on our parts but we do honestly believe that the efforts of our amateurs far surpass the histrionic ability of the various professional companies who from time to time visit Shanghai. The details are necessarily more complete, but above all the art is finer and can compare favourably with the largest amateur dramatic companies in London. There was little to show that the Lyceum had been closed for these weary months, but the alterations made will, it is believed, prolong the life of the old Theatre by ten or twelve years and we are very jubilant to have it opened once again. If it were not for the question of expense we would dilate upon the need of having the theatre reprinted and redecorated, but perhaps financial times will be better a little later on and so we will look forward hopefully to its future embellishment.

In the Minutes issued this week by the Municipal Council we are given the belated intelligence that the Tao-tai is taking very strong measures to suppress the growth of armed robberies which have been terrorizing the Settlement. It is good news because there are more roads than there are policemen and respectable Chinese alike. It is a state of things which must be dealt with promptly or the evil will only too rapidly increase, and, therefore, stringent as the sentences have been which the Tao-tai has passed on three culprits sent in to the Native City for trial, we cannot but uphold them. These three men mentioned, concerned in two separate cases of armed robberies, have been beheaded and although British sense of justice stands appalled at this punishment, we do not wish it otherwise because half measures would not be sufficient to put an end to these armed robberies which may any day cost foreign life.

The distribution of the prizes won by the scholars of the Public School is notable because of the presentation to Mr Lanning from old boys. It was such a voluntary and unexpected tribute that it was doubly appreciated and Mr A. Nazer, who made the presentation, spoke very sincerely when he referred to the love and esteem he and his comrades held for the ex-headmaster. He pointed out that it was not until he left school and was earning his living that he properly realised the value of the training he had received. He learned that he was able to hold his own with the home boy and had nothing to fear from his competition. This is very true. I myself have heard youngsters in London grandiloquently dilate upon how they would look it over youths of their own age in Shanghai were they to come into competition, but their ignorance is pitiful. The Shanghai boy receives an education which thoroughly fits him for a business life and although he may not pack the same amount of work into one day as is done at home, what he does is very well carried out and almost sure to bear good results.

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OUR SCOTTISH LETTER.

(From our Correspondent.)

EDINBURGH, April 19.

Primrose Day.—The morning light is clear cut with its east wind hardness. The streets are busy and almost gay in the bright spring weather. But it is too early to predict whether the Beaconsfield flower is to be generally worn this year. Only workmen are as yet abroad, and as a rule they pay little attention to the primrose or to any other cult. There are many little girls abroad, however, tripping along the pavement to their shops and workrooms, and most of them have a little bunch of the blossom pinned on the front of their dress. Little they think of the politics of the great Imperialist of other days; they simply know that the first of our blooms sets off a neat dress and a pretty face. In an hour or two, but by that time the mail will be closed—the lawyers, and the merchants, and the men of leisure, will be coming along our main streets, and then the yellow primrose will be more in evidence. It is a good custom, this wearing of the flower, apart altogether from politics; it brings a bit of colour to our grey streets; and even the Radicals nowadays don't object to the emblem, for they say, "We are all Imperialists now." No doubt this is so; still, there is a difference between the various stripes of Imperialism.

Domestic affairs in the North are at present quite overshadowed by the great Colonial Conference. Almost it might be said that the interest taken in its proceedings is intense. At one time there was a fear lest Scotland should be left out in the cold by those who had charge of the arrangements, and that we were to have small opportunity of honouring the distinguished visitors. We have, however, managed to score off the officials, and have caught three of the Premiers at the very start. They could only make a short stay with us, one day in Edinburgh and another in Glasgow, but we are to see them again at a later date, and will be able to show them some places and tell them some things that must be interesting to them as representatives of the Britons beyond the Seas.

The occasion of their journey North was the spring graduation in connection with Edinburgh University. The honorary degree of doctor of laws was conferred upon Sir Joseph Ward, Dr Jameson, and Mr Moore. Unfortunately General Botha, who was also to be honoured, was still upon the high seas, but we shall have him shortly as the guest of the University and the Corporation. "Dr Jim" was, of course, the leading figure at the ceremony, for he is not a Scotsman, and what is more, an Edinburgh Scotsman? Our only regret was that we had not the dramatic situation of the Boer General and the hero of the Raid together on the one platform and being "capped" at the same time by Sir William Turner.

Sir Joseph Ward and Mr Moore ran through to Glasgow for twenty-four hours—Dr Jameson, who has to husband his strength, returning direct to London. The two Premiers were banquetted, of course, but they did some sightseeing of a practical nature. The Western Corporation kept in mind that "the Clyde made Glasgow, and Glasgow made the Clyde." A steamer trip was taken down the river past the long range of quays and shipbuilding yards—a call being made at one of the yards to see the new Cunarder, the "Lusitania." A few years ago Mr Lord Provost would have invited distinguished strangers to undertake a call in the immediate vicinity of the City, but the purification works have made such a vast difference in the density of the Clyde, and in the odours arising from it, that a view of the extensive harbour now takes natural place in the official programme. Certainly nothing gives a more adequate idea of Glasgow's commercial and maritime activities, and the sources of its wealth. The Premiers finished up their visit, of all things in the world, with an inspection of the Dalnair Sewage Works. One might parody the old couplet about General Wade and his feat of making the roads through the Highlands after the last Stuart rebellion—

If you had seen those (drains) before they were made, you'd have held up your hands and bless (the Glasgow Corporation).

The altered couplet doesn't rhyme, but it does better, it tells the unadorned truth.

By the way, the graduation ceremony at Edinburgh marks an epoch in University life. Some time ago, Mr Haldane intimated that the Army would be prepared to receive directly from the Universities three who had obtained the degrees of M.A. if the Universities would assist the War Office in undertaking certain special training to adapt men to hold commissions. In Edinburgh they needed to that request, and two years ago appointed Captain Melville Johnston lecturer on military subjects. One of Captain Johnston's students, Mr B. W. Allen, M.A., has passed the necessary examinations and received a commission in the Royal Artillery. Amid loud applause he was called up to the dais and presented with a sword, "as symbolic of authority and of duty to King and country."

Next week will be a busy one in the West of Scotland. The Prince and Princess of Wales will arrive at Blythswood House, near Renfrew, on Monday evening, and will be the guests of Lord

and Lady Blythswood till the following Friday. The programme will be a heavy one, and the Glasgow people have found it necessary to publish a quarto volume of 103 pages setting forth the arrangements for two of the days.

The great Scottish newspapers are already devoting long solid columns to the Royal visit. But they are apt to be a trifle heavy and hopelessly respectable in their news. The evening "rags" are not so weighed down by tremendous responsibility, and they treat the details of the coming ceremonies in a lighter and more human vein. For instance, one of them announces that a certain number of policemen are to be drafted from Edinburgh, Glasgow undertaking to return them safely, "ordinary wear and tear except

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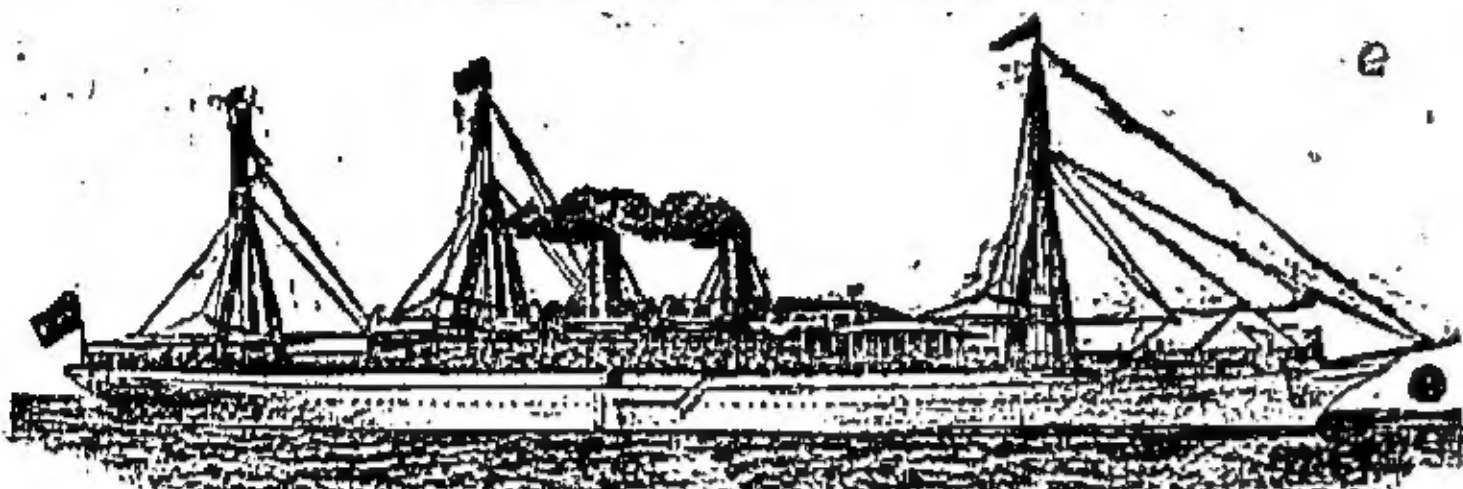
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SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE AND BRISBANE	SHINANO MARU, Tons 6388	TUESDAY, 28th May, at Daylight.
BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO	PANGO MARU, Tons 7463	TUESDAY, 11th June, at Daylight.
KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	KUMANO MARU, Tons 5076	FRIDAY, 14th June, at Noon.
NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	YAWATA MARU, Tons 5317	FRIDAY, 12th July, at Noon.
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	KAOSHIMA MARU, Tons 4405	SATURDAY, 26th May, at Noon.
	WAKASA MARU, Tons 6285	SATURDAY, 1st June, at Noon.
	YAWATA MARU, Tons 5317	WEDNESDAY, 12th June, at Noon.
	OEYUNO MARU, Tons 5068	MONDAY, 10th June.

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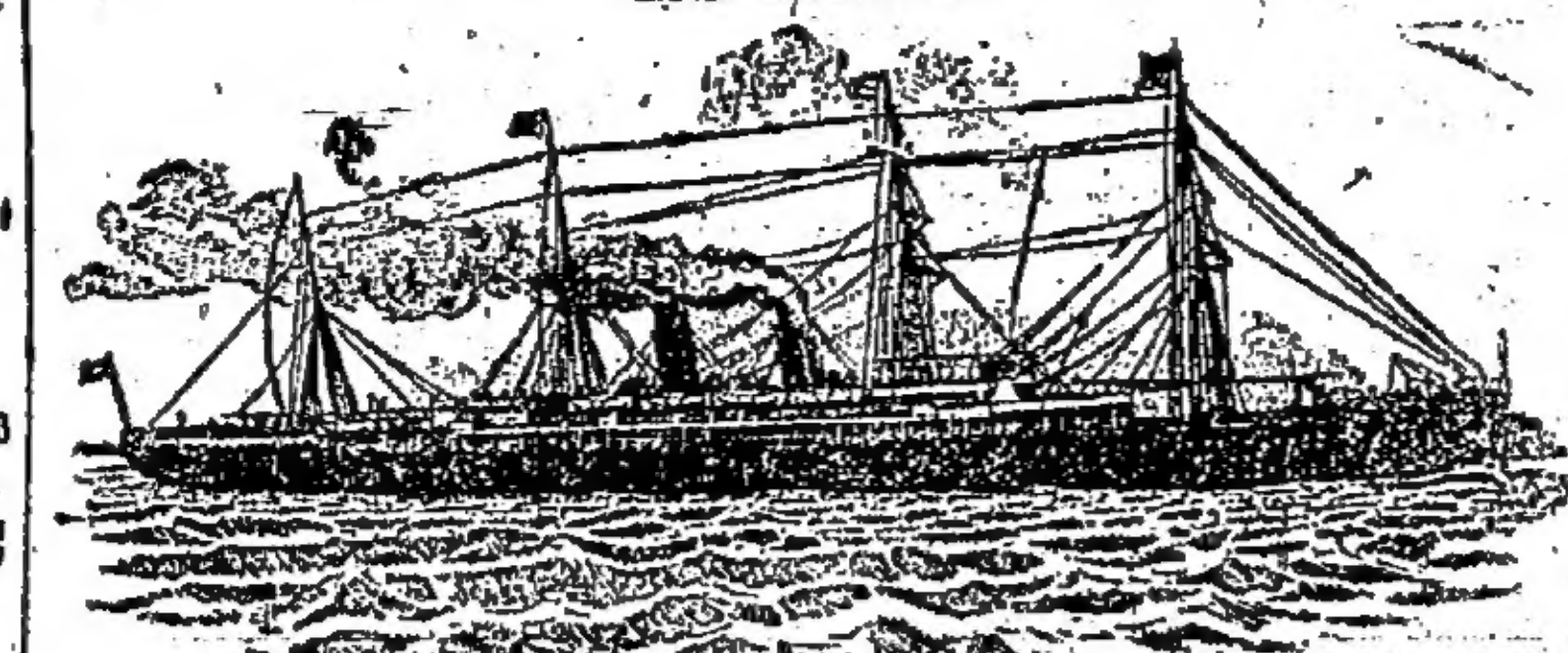
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SWATOW AND SHANGHAI	YINGCHOW	May 24, at Noon.
SWATOW, TSINGTAO, CHEFOO AND TIENTSIN	HUICHOW	May 26, at 4 p.m.
SWATOW AND SHANGHAI	KUANGSHAN	May 26, at 4 p.m.
HOIHOW & HAIPHONG	SINGAI	May 28, at 10 a.m.
AMOI, NINGPO & SHANGHAI	YUNSHAN	May 28, at 4 p.m.
MANILA	TAIYAN	May 29, at 4 p.m.
SWATOW AND SHANGHAI	SHANGHAI	May 30, at 4 p.m.
CHEFOO AND NEWCHANG	KUANGSHAN	June 1, at 4 p.m.
CEBU & LUTLO	KATONG	June 1, at 4 p.m.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PT. DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, DOCKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	TAIYAN	June 8, at 4 p.m.

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SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALCUTTA	HOPSONG	SATURDAY, May 25, at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	TAISANG	SATURDAY, May 26, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	HANGSANG	SUNDAY, May 27, Daylight.
SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALCUTTA	KUMSANG	TUESDAY, May 28, at 3 p.m.
TIENTSIN	CHIPSHING	TUESDAY, May 28, at 4 p.m.
SANDAKAN	MAUSANG	THURSDAY, May 30, at 4 p.m.

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SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	PRINZ WALDEMAR	FRIDAY, 24th May, at Noon.
MANILA, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE	PRINZ SIGISMUND	FRIDAY, 31st May, at Noon.
YOKOHAMA AND KOBE	BORNEO	SATURDAY, 1st June, at 9 a.m.
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Hongkong, April 26, 1907.

CHINA COMMERCIAL S.S. CO., LD. NOTICE.

THE Steamship LAPHNE, Captain E. SCHIFFER, will be despatched for SALINA CRUZ, MEXICO, via KUCHINOTZU, JAPAN, on TUESDAY, the 28th May, at 4 p.m.
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